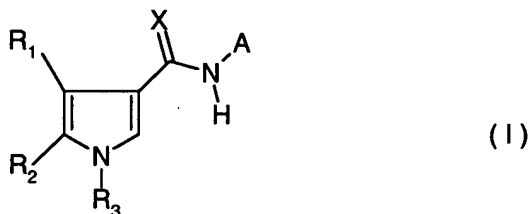


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently amended) A pyrrolicarboxamide or pyrrolicthioamide of the formula I



wherein

X is oxygen;

R₁ is C₁-C₄alkyl unsubstituted or substituted, with the exception of CF₃; C₃-C₆cycloalkyl unsubstituted or substituted; or halogen;

R₂ is hydrogen, C₁-C₄alkyl unsubstituted or substituted, C₁-C₄alkoxy unsubstituted or substituted, cyano or halogen;

R₃ is C₁-C₄alkyl unsubstituted or substituted; and

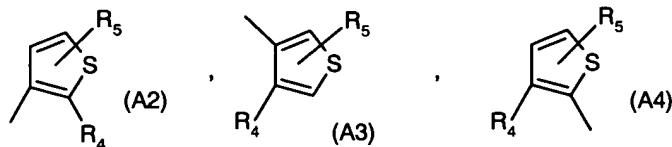
A is ~~orthosubstituted aryl~~; orthosubstituted thiophenes; heteroaryl;

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula I according to claim 1, wherein
R₁ is C₁-C₄alkyl; C₁-C₄haloalkyl; C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl; C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl;
C₃-C₆cycloalkyl unsubstituted or substituted by C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy,
C₁-C₄haloalkoxy, C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl or halogen; or
halogen;

R₂ is hydrogen, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy,
C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, cyano or halogen;

R₃ is C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl or C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl;

A is a group



and

R₄ is C₃-C₇cycloalkyl, C₄-C₇cycloalkenyl, C₅-C₇cycloalkadienyl wherein the cycloalkyl group can be mono- to pentasubstituted by halogen, hydroxy, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy, C₂-C₄alkenyl, C₂-C₅alkynyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl; phenyl unsubstituted or substituted by halogen, nitro, cyano, CHO, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy, C₂-C₅alkenyl, C₂-C₅alkynyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, COOC₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkyl-C₁-C₄alkoxy, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl-C₁-C₄alkoxy; thienyl, furyl, pyrrolyl, pyrazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, imidazolyl, triazinyl, pyridyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl or pyrimidinyl which are unsubstituted or substituted by halogen, C₁-C₆haloalkyl, C₁-C₆alkyl, C₂-C₅alkenyl, C₂-C₅alkynyl nitro, cyano, hydroxy, CHO, C₁-C₆alkoxy, COOC₁-C₆alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl or C₁-C₆haloalkoxy; and

R₅ is hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy or C₁-C₄haloalkoxy.

Claim 3. (Cancelled)

Claim 4. (Cancelled)

Claim 5. (Previously Amended) A compound of formula I according to claim 2, wherein

R₁ is C₁-C₃alkyl; C₁-C₃haloalkyl; C₃-C₆cycloalkyl unsubstituted or substituted by C₁-C₃alkyl, C₁-C₃haloalkyl or halogen;

R₂ is hydrogen, C₁-C₄alkyl or C₁-C₄haloalkyl;

R₃ is C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₃haloalkyl or C₁-C₃alkoxy-C₁-C₃alkyl;

A is A₂, A₃, or A₄;

R₄ is C₅-C₇cycloalkyl, unsubstituted or mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, hydroxy, C₂-C₄alkenyl, C₂-C₄alkynyl, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy or C₁-C₄alkoxy; C₅-C₇cycloalkenyl, unsubstituted or mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, hydroxy, C₂-C₄alkenyl, C₂-C₄alkynyl, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy or C₁-C₄alkoxy; C₅-C₇cyclodialkenyl, unsubstituted or mono- to disubstituted by halogen, hydroxy, C₂-C₄alkenyl, C₂-C₄alkynyl,

C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkoxy or C₁-C₄alkoxy; thienyl, furyl, isoxazolyl, oxazolyl, thiadiazolyl, triazinyl, pyridyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl or pyridazinyl, which are unsubstituted or substituted by halogen, hydroxy, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy or C₁-C₄haloalkoxy; phenyl which is unsubstituted or substituted by halogen, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy,

C₁-C₄haloalkyl or C₁-C₄haloalkoxy; and

R₅ is hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄alkoxy, C₁-C₄haloalkyl or C₁-C₄haloalkoxy.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula I according to claim 5, wherein A is A2, A3, or A4.

R₁ is C₁-C₂alkyl, C₁-C₃haloalkyl or cyclopropyl;

R₂ is hydrogen or C₁-C₃alkyl;

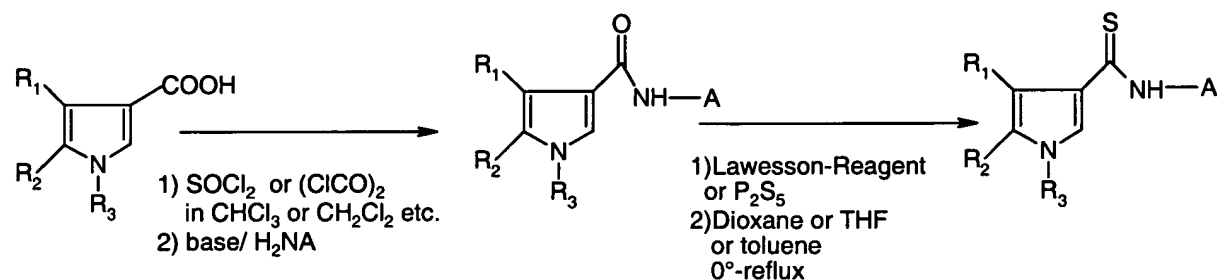
R₃ is C₁-C₃alkyl or C₁-C₃alkoxy-C₁-C₃alkyl;

R₄ is cyclohexyl, cyclohexenyl or cyclohexadienyl, which are unsubstituted or mono- to disubstituted by chloro, bromo, C₁-C₂alkyl, C₁-C₂haloalkyl or C₁-C₂haloalkoxy; thienyl, furyl, triazinyl, pyridyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl or pyrimidinyl which are unsubstituted or substituted by halogen, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₁-C₄haloalkyl or C₁-C₄haloalkoxy; and

R₅ is hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₃alkyl, C₁-C₃haloalkyl, C₁-C₃alkoxy or C₁-C₃haloalkoxy.

Claims 7-9 (Cancelled).

Claim 10. (Withdrawn) A process for the preparation of compounds of formula I which comprises reacting the starting materials according to the scheme



Base = NEt₃, Hünig-base, Na₂CO₃, K₂CO₃ and others

wherein A, R₁, R₂ and R₃ are as defined for formula I in claim 1.

Claim 11. (Withdrawn) A composition for controlling microorganisms and preventing attack and infestation of plants therewith, wherein the active ingredient is a compound as claimed in claim 1 together with a suitable carrier.

Claim 12. (Cancelled)

Claim 13. (Withdrawn) A method of controlling or preventing infestation of cultivated plants by phytopathogenic microorganisms by application of a compound of formula I as claimed in claim 1 to plants, to parts thereof or the locus thereof.

Claim 14. (Cancelled).